

# STATE OF MICHIGAN



Executive  
Office

Jennifer M. Granholm  
Governor

## CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

On behalf of the citizens of Michigan, I, Governor Jennifer M. Granholm,  
do hereby proclaim August 2007, as

### Breastfeeding Awareness Month

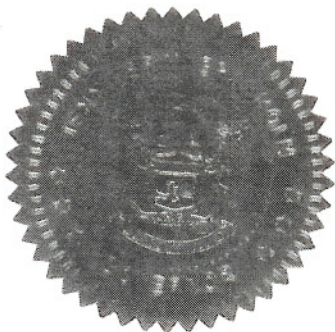
Whereas, Breastfeeding is an ideal method of feeding and nurturing infants; and,

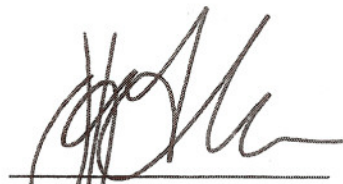
Whereas, Breast milk affords health benefits during infancy and beyond that no other infant food can, including decreased infant mortality, less incidence of diarrhea and respiratory infections, protection against allergies, and decreased risks of diabetes and childhood obesity; and,

Whereas, Breastfeeding can protect the health of mothers by decreasing the risks for breast and ovarian cancers and improving bone density; and,

Whereas, The Michigan Department of Community Health and the WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) Program promote, support and protect optimal breastfeeding practices to increase breastfeeding rates in Michigan; and now therefore be it,

Resolved, That I, Jennifer M. Granholm, Governor of the State of Michigan, do hereby proclaim August 2007, as Breastfeeding Awareness Month in Michigan.



  
Jennifer M. Granholm  
Governor